

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY LISBON  
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E. O. 11642: N/A  
TAGS: PFOR, IT, PO  
SUBJ: CUNHAL TO VISIT ITALY

1. RELIABLE SOURCE WITH GOOD CONTACTS IN THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCI), INFORMS US THAT PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY CHIEF CUNHAL WILL ARRIVE IN ROME FEBRUARY 10 FOR TALKS WITH PCI LEADERS. CUNHAL WILL VISIT ROME EN ROUTE BACK TO LISBON FROM A TRIP TO AFRICA.

2. OUR SOURCE INDICATES THAT CUNHAL WILL MEET WITH THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF THE PCI, AND HE WILL HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE IN ROME ON FEBRUARY 11. ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE, AT LEAST ONE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY OFFICIAL HAS ALREADY VISITED ROME TO LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR CUNHAL'S VISIT.

3. COMMENT. GIVEN THE SUBSTANTIAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE PORTUGUESE AND ITALIAN PARTIES ON A VARIETY OF ISSUES, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT A JOINT DECLARATION OF THE PRECISE TYPE THAT THE ITALIANS HAVE SIGNED WITH CARILLO AND MARCHAIS WILL COME FROM THE VISIT. NEVERTHELESS, BOTH SIDES WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE SEEKING SOMETHING FROM THE EXCHANGE, AND THE PCI WOULD LIKE NOTHING MORE THAN TO HAVE SOME GESTURE FROM CUNHAL SIGNIFYING ITS IMPORTANCE IN THE CONTEXT

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